

### Abstract of the Invention

The present invention relates to compounds, compositions and methods for the treatment of a host infected with a hepatitis B virus. Specifically, compound and compositions of 3'-esters of 2'-deoxy- $\beta$ -L-nucleosides are disclosed, which can be administered either alone or in combination with other anti-hepatitis B agents. Compound and compositions of 3',5'-diesters of 2'-deoxy- $\beta$ -L-nucleosides are disclosed, which can be administered either alone or in combination with other anti-hepatitis B agents, are also disclosed.

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